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heard and in the form that they were reported out and that we would see perhaps on a consent calendar otherwise, and adopt them into LB 148. The first is LB 629 (sic--LB 628), to adopt Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence the Uniform Protection Orders. It is unclear as to what happens when you leave one state, go to another. You have a protection order from the state in which you live, but you go to another state and your stalker, or the person for whom you're supposed to...who is supposed to stay a hundred feet away or not have contact with, follows you to the other state. This happens often enough that it places police in a conundrum. You've got the difficulty of, for example, somebody coming through Nebraska and they're moving from Colorado and they're holding a protection order from a Colorado court and they want to make a complaint about a stalker ex-husband who is, in fact, following them into Nebraska. Maybe they've got some grandparents here and they're coming home to visit. So what the Uniform Interstate Enforcement of Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act says is, that if you have such an order, it proves to be effective in other states. Most state statutes are silent; offer little quidance as to the interstate enforcement of protection orders. We do have a current provision to allow Nebraska courts to enforce orders from other states if the orders are issued in this state. However, this was promulgated in the year 2000 by the Uniform Law Commissioners. establishes procedures for interstate enforcement of domestic violence and protection orders. Now, if somebody comes here to live here, they can take it to our courts and get it on file with one of our courts, and then it becomes effective through If they're traveling through and they have a our court. physical copy of it, they'll be able to show it to local police, and our police would have a good faith exception if they wanted to go ahead and enforce the act. Section 3 of the bill provides the standards for Nebraska courts to enforce foreign protection Nebraska courts are required to enforce the terms of valid protection orders of other states as if they were issued in this state. All provisions of such orders shall be enforced, even if the order provides for relief that is unavailable to a person seeking a protective order in the Nebraska court. just part of comity. Provisions of protection orders that concern child custody and visitation matters are enforceable if